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Announcements from MCDHH

The Missouri Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing is thrilled to announce the hiring of Crystal Anderson for the position of Staff Interpreter. Crystal Anderson holds MICS Comprehensive certification and CI/CT certification from the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf. She graduated from William Woods University with a Bachelors of Arts in Sign Language Interpretation in 2001. After becoming certified and licensed she began working as a freelance interpreter in the mid-Missouri area. Crystal has also worked as a staff interpreter for an interpreting agency, interpreted in a Missouri school district, as well as managed a call center for Sorenson Communications. She has interpreted in many settings such as educational, VRS, VRI, medical and platform. Crystal brings both knowledge and experience to the job, having served as a member of the Missouri Interpreter Conference Planning Committee and as an evaluator for the Missouri Interpreter Certification System for a number of years. We are confident that she will be a great addition to Team MCDHH when she begins her position in January.





DEAF CENSUS



The Deaf Census is now available to submit online. You may fill it out then click on the "Email form to MCDHH". It is best to use Internet Explorer for successful submission. If you are having problems submitting a Deaf Census, please contact MCDHH. http://mcdhh.mo.gov/files/DeafCensusForm.pdf

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News from Other Organizations

Kansas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (KCDHH) is currently looking for an Executive Director. If you are interested in applying, please click on the link for more details. http://mcdhh.mo.gov/files/KanCDHH.pdf





There is a vacancy available as an Interpreter/Counselor Aide for the Vocational Rehabilitation located in Kansas City, Missouri. Please click on the link to see if you qualify or are interested in applying.

http://mcdhh.mo.gov/files/Interpreter-CounselorAide.pdf

Please click on the link to see what Described and Captioned Media Program is up to by reading their Newsletter.

http://us4.campaignarchive1.com/?u=f29a35c7b34f89334cbd07 f91&id=d6bd94dd49&e=b1ef54b716





The 2014 Missouri legislative session opened officially on Wednesday. Scores of bills have been pre-filed and committee hearings are scheduled for next week. We'll provide an update on additional bills filed next week. Please click on the link for more details.

http://mcdhh.mo.gov/files/2014Legislative.pdf

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DEAF, Inc.





Where: DEAF Inc. Building
Empowerment Room
25 E. Frisco Avenue.

25 E. Frisco Avenue, Webster Groves, MO 63119

Cost: FREE

Registration Deadline:

Friday, January 17, 2014 You can send in the registration form or sign up online. Sign me up!

Name:

Address:

City:

Email Address:

Videophone:

Please mail this form to: DEAF Inc.., Adult Literacy Program, 25 E. Frisco Avenue, Webster Groves, MO 63119

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Department of Mental Health- Deaf Services



Missouri Department of Mental Health Office of Deaf Services Deaf Mental Health Resource Information

The Department of Mental Health, Office of Deaf Services, coordinates the system of care for DMH facilities and providers delivering mental health services to eligible individuals who are Deaf or hard of hearing. Services include outpatient, inpatient and crisis response. Information to access these psychiatric, substance abuse or developmental disability services is provided below.

Missouri Department of Mental Health

Elijah Buchholz, LPC, Director Office of Deaf Services 1706 E. Elm St., P.O. Box 687 Jefferson City, MO 65101

Voice: 573-526-1857 / VP: 573-298-6764

Fax: 573-526-7926

Email: <u>Elijah.buchholz@dmh.mo.gov</u> <u>www.dmh.mo.gov/deafsvcs</u> Facebook: "DMH Deaf Services"

Specialized Outpatient Services*

BJC Behavioral Health Deaf Services Team Laura Shapiro, MSW, ACSW, LCSW 343 S. Kirkwood Rd, Ste. 200 Kirkwood, MO 63122

Voice: 314-206-3499 / VP: 314-266-2636

Email: laura.shapiro@bjc.org

www.bjcbehavioralhealth.org/deafservices

Truman Medical Center Behavioral Health Deaf Services Jennifer McKinney, MS, NCC, PLPC 300 W. 19th Terr. Kansas City, MO 64108 Voice/VP: 816-527-8274

Email: jennifer.mckinney@tmcmed.org

Inpatient Services

Acute Inpatient Care

Truman Medical Center Behavioral Health Robert Ellis, Program Director 1000 E. 24th St.

Kansas City, MO 64108 Voice: 816-404-3800

Email: Robert.ellis@tmcmed.org

Intermediate/Long-Term Inpatient Care
St. Louis Psychiatric Rehabilitation Center

Deaf Services Program
Peter Scheers, Program Director

5300 Arsenal

St. Louis, MO 63139 Voice: 314-877-5945

Email: peter.scheers@dmh.mo.gov

Additional Sign Fluent Outpatient Services

ReDiscover Brandy Haddock, LPC 901 NE Independence Ave. Lee's Summit, MO 64086 Voice: 816-246-8000

Email: bhaddock@rediscovermh.org

<u>24-Hour Crisis Hotline</u> DEAFline Missouri

Voice/TTY Toll Free: 800-380-3323 Voice/TTY Local: 573-445-5059

Video Phone: 573-303-5604 (9a.m. to 5p.m.)

Text: 'hand' to 839863

For additional information, please contact the Missouri Department of Mental Health, Office of Deaf Services.

^{*}Consumers may access either specialized outpatient center through their local Community Mental Health Center via Telehealth services. For more information, please contact your local Community Mental Health Center, the Office of Deaf Services, or either Specialized Outpatient Center.

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BJC-Deaf Services



From: Laura Shapiro < Laura. Shapiro@bjc.org > Date: January 2, 2014 at 1:09:46 PM CST

Subject: BJC Behavioral Health Case Manager for the Deaf Services Team

For immediate release:

Behavioral Health Case Manager for the Deaf Services team

BJC Behavioral Health in St. Louis, Missouri has an immediate opening on our Deaf Services team for a Case Manager. The case manager will be able to work with individuals, families, and groups to address and treat mental and emotional disorders and promote optimal mental health with Deaf and Hard of Hearing adults and children. Preferred that the case manager have knowledge of therapeutic best practices for Dea and Hard of Hearing individuals and be able to apply cultural and linguistic bridging to promote optimal mental health.

They should be fluent in and culturally competent in American Sign Language and therefore have the ability to communicate directly with Deaf and Hard of Hearing individuals who sign. They also need to be able to communicate directly with hard of hearing clients who do not use sign language.

Case Manager needs to be able to be flexible to work on a team and within various settings in the community mental health system including in client's homes. BJC Behavioral Health utilizes electronic medical records. The case manager must have knowledge of Microsoft software including MS Word and have enough computer knowledge to be able to learn a new computer program.

Job duties will include case management as well as clinical assessments for new and existing clients.

Must have a masters or Doctorate in Social Work, Counseling, or Psychology.

Experience with mental health and the deaf/HOH population preferred.

Qualified candidates please contact:

Laura Shapiro, MSW, ACSW, LCSW,

Laura.Shapiro@bjc.org

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Missouri Association of the Deaf (MoAD)





Valentine Dinner

An Italian-Style Spaghetti Dinner

Where: Gallery at National Avenue

1515 S. National Avenue Springfield, MO65807

When: February 7, 2014

Time: 7:00pm

Draw: Semi-Formal (No Jeans)

Tickets on sale now: \$8/person or \$15/Couple and can be purchased from any GOC Board Member. You may reserve tickets to be picked up at the GOC General Meeting on January 10.

Proceeds go to the Greater Ozarks Chapter





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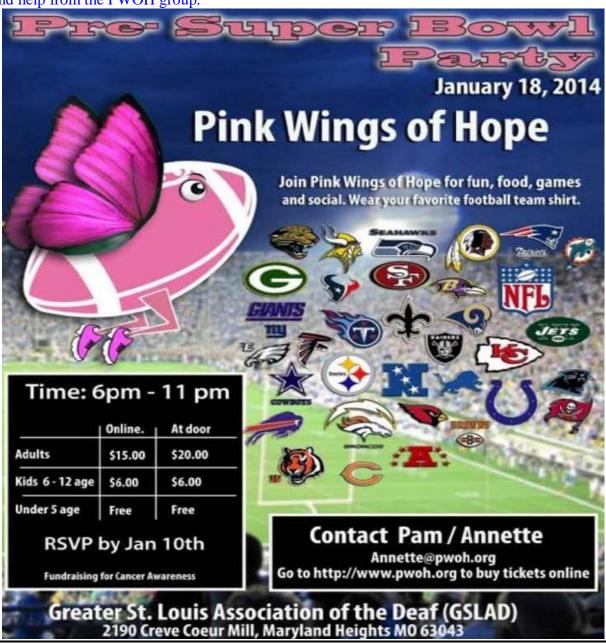
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St. Louis Bell Club

Hello everyone.....

Save the date and come out and have fun! PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD TO YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO JOIN THE FUN! The Pink Wings of Hope (PWOH) Cancer Support group are sponsoring this event... This is a fundraising event for Cancer Awareness - to help and teach the Deaf/Hard of Hearing community about Cancer Awareness, receive support, and help from the PWOH group.



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The Trustees of the Oberkotter Foundation are pleased to announce the Spring 2014 Program Support grant cycle. Through their Program Support grants, the Trustees will offer two funding tracks to increase opportunities for families of children (0-3) who are deaf or hard of hearing to access affordable, quality early intervention services in listening and spoken language as early as possible.

The <u>Project Support</u> track will accept proposals for projects (new or continuations of previously funded Oberkotter projects) that focus on one of the following areas to achieve the Trustees' goals:

- Early Intervention
- Collaborative Efforts
- Innovative Projects

In addition, the *new* Operating Support track will accept proposals to fund operating support for existing programs that provide 0-3 listening and spoken language services to children who are deaf or hard of hearing and their families. Funding for Operating Support is limited and applicants will go through a rigorous application and evaluation process.

As part of the review process for both tracks, significant emphasis will be placed on innovation, collaboration, evaluation, sustainability and ongoing excellence.

Interested applicants are requested to submit a Letter of Intent to Apply between January 1, 2014, and January 31, 2014, through the Oberkotter Foundation's online application process. Applicants will be notified by the end of February 2014 whether they have been invited to submit a full proposal in March 2014. Please visit www.oberkotterfoundation.org for more information about the Oberkotter Foundation's Program Support grants and about accessing the Foundation's online application process.